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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 and cancel claims 51-55 without prejudice and disclaimer.

1. (currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a cigarette package, the cigarette package being operable for storing at least one cigarette;

a wrapper, the wrapper encasing a portion of the cigarette package; and

a dispensing container for residing between the cigarette package and the wrapper, the dispensing container including

a body for storing confectionary items, the body having a top portion and a bottom portion, the bottom portion including a tapered edge, the tapered edge operable for inserting the body between the wrapper and the cigarette package, and

a door connected to the top portion of the body and operable to dispense the confectionary items stored in the body while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

2. (canceled)

3. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

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a length between the lower most portion of the body and the lower most portion of the door is a predetermined amount so that the door can be opened and the confectionary items can be extracted from the body while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

4. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the cigarette package is constructed of a substantially rigid material and has a flip top.

5. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 4, wherein

a length between the upper most portion of the body or the door and the lower most portion of the body is a predetermined amount so that the flip top can be opened and the at least one cigarette can be extracted from the cigarette package while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

6. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the confectionary items are breath freshening products.

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7. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the confectionary items are chewing gum products.

8. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the confectionary items are one of hard and soft candy products.

9. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the body and the door are made of a translucent material.

10. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the wrapper is constructed of a flexible plastic material.

11. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the cigarette package is constructed of a substantially flexible material.

12. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

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the height of the cigarette package is at least twice the width of the cigarette package.

13. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the width of the cigarette package is greater than the height of the cigarette package.

14. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein the body includes a first side and a second side, and further comprising:

a second door, the door being located on the first side of the body and the second door being located on the second side of the body, each door operable to dispense the confectionary items stored in the body.

15. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein the body includes a first side and a second side, and further comprising:

a first chamber in the body for storing the confectionary items;

a second door; and

a second chamber in the body, the door being located on the first side of the body and operable to dispense the

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confectionary items stored in the first chamber and the second door being located on the second side of the body and operable to dispense items stored in the second chamber.

16. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

a hinge for connecting the door to the body.

17. (previously presented) An apparatus, comprising:

a cigarette package having a flip top, the cigarette package being operable for storing at least one cigarette;

a wrapper, the wrapper encasing a portion of the cigarette package; and

a dispensing container for residing between the cigarette package and the wrapper, the dispensing container including

a body for storing confectionary items, the body having a top portion and a bottom portion, the bottom portion including a tapered edge, the tapered edge operable for inserting the body between the wrapper and the cigarette package, and

a door connected to the top portion of the body and operable to dispense the confectionary items stored in the body,

a length between the lower most portion of the body and the lower most portion of the door being a predetermined amount so that the confectionary items can be extracted from the body

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while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

18. (canceled)

19. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 17, wherein

the confectionary items are breath freshening products.

20. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 17, wherein

the confectionary items are chewing gum products.

21. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 17, wherein

the confectionary items are one of hard and soft candy products.

22. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 17, wherein

the body and the door are made of a translucent material.

23. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 17, wherein

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the wrapper is constructed of a flexible plastic material.

24. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 17, further comprising:

a hinge for connecting the door to the body.

25. (previously presented) An apparatus, comprising:

a cigarette package having a flip top, the cigarette package being operable for storing at least one cigarette;

a wrapper, the wrapper encasing a portion of the cigarette package; and

a dispensing container for residing between the cigarette package and the wrapper, the dispensing container including

a body for storing confectionary items, the body having a top portion and a bottom portion, the bottom portion including a tapered edge, the tapered edge operable for inserting the body between the wrapper and the cigarette package, and

a door connected to the top portion of the body and operable to dispense the confectionary items stored in the body, a length between the upper most portion of the body or the door and the lower most portion of the body being a predetermined amount so that the flip top of the cigarette package can be opened and the at least one cigarette can be extracted from the

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cigarette package while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

26. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 25, wherein

the confectionary items are breath freshening products.

27. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 25, wherein

the confectionary items are chewing gum products.

28. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 25, wherein

the confectionary items are one of hard and soft candy products.

29. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 25, wherein

the body and the door are made of a translucent material.

30. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 25, wherein

the wrapper is constructed of a flexible plastic material.



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31. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 25, further comprising:

a hinge for connecting the door to the body.

32. (previously presented) An apparatus, comprising:

a cigarette package having a flip top, the cigarette package being operable for storing at least one cigarette;

a wrapper, the wrapper encasing a portion of the cigarette package; and

a dispensing container for residing between the cigarette package and the wrapper, the dispensing container including

a body for storing confectionary items, the body having a top portion and a bottom portion, the bottom portion including a tapered edge, the tapered edge operable for inserting the body between the wrapper and the cigarette package,

a hinge, and

a door connected to the top portion of the body by the hinge and operable to dispense the confectionary items stored in the body,

a length between the uppermost portion of the body or the door and the lower most portion of the body being a predetermined amount so that the flip top of the cigarette package can be opened and the at least one cigarette can be

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extracted from the cigarette package while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package, and

a length between the lower most portion of the body and the lower most portion of the door being a predetermined amount so that the confectionary items can be extracted from the body while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

33. (canceled)

34. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 32, wherein

the confectionary items are breath freshening products.

35. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 32, wherein

the confectionary items are chewing gum products.

36. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 32, wherein

the confectionary items are one of hard and soft candy products.

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37. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 32, wherein

the body and the door are made of a translucent material.

38. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 32, wherein

the wrapper is constructed of a flexible plastic material.

39. (previously presented) An apparatus, comprising:  
a cigarette package having a flip top, the cigarette package being operable for storing at least one cigarette;  
a wrapper, the wrapper encasing a portion of the cigarette package; and

a dispensing container for residing between the cigarette package and the wrapper, the dispensing container including

a body for storing confectionary items, the body operable for insertion between the wrapper and the cigarette package, the body defined by

a top wall,

a pair of side walls,

a bottom wall,

a front wall having a first lower tapered edge and

a back wall having a second lower tapered edge,

a hinge, and

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a door connected to the body by the hinge and operable to dispense the confectionary items stored in the body,

a length between the top wall and the bottom wall being a predetermined amount so that the flip top of the cigarette package can be opened and the at least one cigarette can be extracted from the cigarette package while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package, and

a length between the bottom wall and the lower most portion of the door being a predetermined amount so that the confectionary items can be extracted from the body while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

40-42. (canceled)

43. (previously presented) An apparatus, comprising:

a cigarette package having a flip top, the cigarette package being operable for storing at least one cigarette;

a wrapper, the wrapper encasing a portion of the cigarette package; and

a dispensing container for residing between the cigarette package and the wrapper, the dispensing container including

a body for storing confectionary items, the body having a top portion and a bottom portion, and

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a door connected to the top portion of the body and operable to dispense the confectionary items stored in the body,

a length between the upper most portion of the body or the door and the lower most portion of the body being a predetermined amount so that the flip top of the cigarette package can be opened and the at least one cigarette can be extracted from the cigarette package while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

44. (previously presented) An apparatus, comprising:

a cigarette package having a flip top, the cigarette package being operable for storing at least one cigarette;

a wrapper, the wrapper encasing a portion of the cigarette package; and

a dispensing container for residing between the cigarette package and the wrapper, the dispensing container including

a body for storing confectionary items, the body having a top portion and a bottom portion, and

a door connected to the top portion of the body and operable to dispense the confectionary items stored in the body,

a length between the upper most portion of the body or the door and the lower most portion of the body being a predetermined amount so that the flip top of a cigarette package can be opened and the at least one cigarette can be extracted

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from the cigarette package while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package, and

a length between the lower most portion of the body and the lower most portion of the door being a predetermined amount so that the confectionary items can be extracted from the body while the body is fully inserted between the wrapper and the cigarette package.

45. (canceled)

46. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the tapered edge tapers to a single edge one of coplanar or substantially coplanar with a side of the body.

47. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 17, wherein

the tapered edge tapers to a single edge one of coplanar or substantially coplanar with a side of the body.

48. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 25, wherein

the tapered edge tapers to a single edge one of coplanar or substantially coplanar with a side of the body.

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49. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 32, wherein

the tapered edge tapers to a single edge one of coplanar or substantially coplanar with a side of the body.

50. (previously presented) The apparatus as set forth in claim 39, wherein

the tapered edge tapers to a single edge one of coplanar or substantially coplanar with a side of the body.

51-55. (canceled)